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SUBJECT: NEW YORK TIMES QUERY ON CIA IN INDIA

1. BERNARD WEINRAUB OF THE NEW YORK TIMES CAME TO SEE ME THIS MORNING, NOVEMBER 20, TO SAY THAT HE HAD BEEN INFORMED BY AN "AUTHORITATIVE SOURCE" THAT TWO AMERICAN OFFICIALS HAD BEEN EXPELLED FROM INDIA UNDER THE "KISSINGER RULE". THIS REFERS TO THE SECRETARY'S STATEMENT TO THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE ON SEPTMEBER 19 THAT IF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINDS "ANY AMERICAN OFFICIAL OR ANY OTHER AMERICAN, OVER WHOM WE HAVE ANY CONTROL AT ALL, ENGAGING IN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES IN INDIA, THEY SHOULD LET US HAVE THE NAME AND HE WOULD BE REMOVED FROM INDIA WITHIN 24 HOURS. " I REAFFIRM THIS". THE SECRETARY REPEATED THIS ASSURANCE AT A NEW DELHI PRESS CONFERENCE OCTOBER 30. WEINRAUB SAID HE WAS NOT REFFERRING TO THE TWENTY FOUR HOUR CLAUSE, AS IT WERE, BUT TO THE GENERAL UNDERTAKING.

2. I STATED THAT IT IS THE POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO OFFER NO COMMENT WHATEVER ABOUT INTELLIGENCE MATTERS, AND THAT I WOULD ADHERE STRICTLY TO THIS RULE. WHETHER I KNEW A STATEMENT TO BE RIGHT OR TO BE WRONG, WHETHER AN ANSWER WOULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE UNITED STATES OR DISADVANTAGEOUS, I WOULD FOLLOW THE

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STRICT PARCTICE OF SAYING NOTHING. I ADDED HOWEVER

THAT THE COMMUNIST PRESS HAD STATED THAT AN AMERICAN
EMPLOYEE IN THE BOMBAY CONSULATE HAD GONE HOME AHEAD
OF SCHEDULE. HE DID NOT KNOW THIS. I STATED HE COULD
OF COURSE HAVE A LIST OF ALL AMERICANS WHO HAD LEFT
INDIA IN THE PAST YEAR. I SAID HE WOULD FIND THAT THE
PARTICULAR CHARGES IN THE COMMUNIST PRESS APPEARED
BEFORE THE SECRETARY'S STATEMENTS. I DID NOT NOTE
THAT THE SECRETARY IN THAT STATEMENT THE SECRETARY SAID HE WAS
REAFFIRMING A COMMITMENT WHICH PRESUMEDLY WAS GIVEN
EARLIER, WE HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE AS TO WHEN THIS MAY
HAVE BEEN GIVEN.

3 . ON OCTOBER 23 AMBASSADOR KAUL STATED TO THE INDIAN

PRESS THAT WITH RESPECT TO THE SECRETARY'S STATEMENT
"I HAVE HAD OCCASION TO TEST THIS ASSURANCE AND I KNOW
IT IS EFFECTIVE".
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